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Before The COPYRIGHT ROYALTY TRIBUNAL Washington, D.C. 20009

In the Matter of

1990 Satellite Carrier Royalty Distribution Proceeding CRT Docket No. 91-5-90SCD

COMMENTS OF THE JOINT SPORTS CLAIMANTS

Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League, and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (collectively the "Joint Sports Claimants") submit the following comments in response to the Tribunal's notice published on August 2, 1991.

The individual members of Joint Sports Claimants have not agreed among themselves on how to allocate the 1990 satellite carrier royalties attributable to sports telecasts. Nor have they agreed with any other claimant groups concerning the distribution of the 1990 satellite carrier royalty fund. Accordingly, the Joint Sports Claimants believe that a "Phase I" and "Phase II" controversy currently exists with respect to that fund. The Joint Sports Claimants would support consolidation of the 1989 and 1990 satellite carrier royalty

proceeding. The Joint Sports Claimants intend to participate in any proceedings regarding distribution of the 1989 and 1990 satellite carrier royalty funds.

Respectfully submitted,

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